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HEALTHY PINANCES.

In spite of ominous rumors to the rary many gratifying statements re to be found in the United States blic debt. Bonds that had reached durity have been exchanged for bonds bearing a lower rate of interest and payable at the option of the secre-ary of the treasury. Loans payable on demand have nearly all been set-Med, and loans resting upon the credit of the United States have been mabrially cut down. This has been acplished by the use of the \$107,000,surplus and by drawing upon the In the meantime, we must have uncerunds in the treasury. There has been tainty and oscillations. decrease of \$37,000,000 in the revethe of the government, but this does not reflect in any way upon the financial policy of the administration. The povenues have been sufficient to meet cally and honestly administered. There expenses during the fiscal year. he report shows that there was an does not necessarily indicate national prosparity, yet loans are easy and the dition of trade is excellent. About forts to retain a strong reserve of

metries and its finances. BAILBOAD BATES

ting effect upon the country, its in-

There seems to be as yet no definite an agreed upon by the railroad comnies for a uniform rate or even a reced rate of fare for the accommodaion of world's fair travel. The questions have been considered in turn by the presidents of the trunk lines and the general passenger agents of many of the principal roads, but they are still unsettled. Whatever plan is to be opted should be adopted at an early will prevail. It is for the interests of under a formal agreement. If it be day. emitted to drag along until the last railroad rate war will be inevitable and the roads themselves will be great infferers. It is unfair to insist that ne railroads shall make all the conions for the benefit of the world's air. The hotels and water lines ought to be invited to reduce rates to a point beeping with reason, but the popuar mind seems to be oblivious to exconive hotel ratings so long as there is prospect of reducing rall rates. With stail rate of 2 cents a mile it has been monstrated that the majority of penses except as they draw upon eight earnings. The roads seem to e-third fares, but the public demand slower rate. It is probable that the aly solution to this conundrum will by way of cheap excursions, and ey may be run as frequently as the scity of the roads will accommofate. The theory that it costs as much o transport ten passengers as it does to mry twenty is a palpable one on its e, but if ten cannot be carried at a ensonable profit it would be absurd to ske a lower rate on more than that than to swell the deficit. The rail- held. de may be relied upon to do the fair one, but they ought to get together, to speak, and agree upon a fixed ad unaiterable plan right away.

MONEY MATTERS.

Repeating his assection of last week mry Claws emphasizes the fact in is current weekly advice that the stock and money market has felt no injurine effects from the recent elections. anso of an extraordinary movement of gold from London to Russia he prets a drain upon the gold of this intry, but not an immoderate one. can see little promise of tangible gits from the Monetary Conference and expresses the fear that its deliberane will reveal even greater dangers the stability of the metals for coinpurposes. As to the silver problem thinks the possibilities for good or or evil intensides the situation as it eta in the United States. "It must L

And yet nothing short of that, in full outlined in the glare of the electric and unequivocal form, would warrant us in yielding to the demand for free coinage in this country. Failure to secure such international action would impose upon us the duty of suspension of the increase of eliver money under the present law, whether regarded s.oo from the point of diplomatic ex-1.00 pediency or from that of national safety. Can we then depend upon congress adopting that course, if the event so demands? The platforms of both parties in the last election should leave no doubt on that point. But unfortunately platforms are too often less guides for legislation than they are for winning votes; and it is therefore impossible to forecast the probable action of congress on silver. Moreover, the silver question will be complicated with that of increasing the bank note circulation and of restoring to the state banks their former liberty to issue circulating notes. It is moreover quite uncertain when congress may reach a conclusion of these currency questions; for it will be preoccupied with the allabsorbing tariff legislation until nigh the middle of 1894. The result surer's report. There is a marked of this prospective survey is that rovement in the condition of the | we have before us two years, more or less, of exciting discussion and legislation upon questions vitally connected with industry, commerce and finance, the culmination of years of political conflict and financial derangement. We can only rely on the general good sense of congress, guided by the matured and clearly uttered opinion of the country, for a wholesome outcome of this perplexed situation.

It is anticipated that some pledged members of the legislature will change their opinions on the senatorial questhe wants of the government econom- tion prior to the meeting of the legislature, but if they shall change once ras a decrease of \$10,000,000 in the there is no reason to believe they will not change a scond time. The real contest for the senatorship was made case of \$150,000,000 in the amount | and decided in the nominating convenmoney in circulation, most of tions. If the work done then was efnich is in the hands of the people fective, and if the solemn ather than locked up in the vaults of pledges of honorable men are not the treasury and sub-treasuries. While to be indiscriminately broken, any a large amount of money in circulation | amount of work will fail to change the present sentiment on that subject. It is quite impossible to determine at this time the relative status of the two lead-17,000,000 in gold is reported in excess | ing and, in fact, only candidates. Both that used in industrial pursuits. make claim to an easy working majority in the caucus, but one of them old have been in the main satisfac. is mistaken. One of them is chasing ory. There have been the usual fluc- rainbows. Both of them have been tuations in the amount, but these highly honored by the people-in this must necessarily continue so long as respect honors being even. There is iver and gold bear the present rela- no choice to be made on the score of ons. The report is of more than or. official favoritism or fortune. It is a nary interest, dealing as it does with stand off between them. There is only financial condition of the United one doubt as to the success of either, tates directly following the passage and that doubt is in the number of of the McKinley bill. The law has votes the winner has to his credit. The win, will be not?

> Ir the Kansas republicans shall be able to "guess the lucky number" they will organize the legislature. The complicated condition of affairs is stated in this morning's despatches. As the house now stands there are sixty-two republicans, sixty-two democrats, poppycrats and independents and a tie vote. The tie will be decided by casting lots. If the republicans get their man Mrs. Lease will get left.

Local democrate, on their return from the Dickinson reception given at date, else the opening of the fair will Detroit Saturday evening, declared that be upon us and more or less confusion it was a very "swell" affair. It was noticed that most of them were wearthe roads that this should be done ing unfamiliar head ornaments yester-

TAMMANY's plan to unborse Grover is being inaugurated with a vim and dash that portends a lively rumpus. Already one official has been beheaded for working against Murphy and others are likely to snare the same fate.

According to the testimony taken before the investigating committee, the Reading combine isn't a combine. It's a sickly, puny infant industry that the people ought to turn in and support. That's what it is.

THERE is one delightful feature ever attempts to spring any Munchausen yarns about his success as a willing to concede a rate of one and hunter the deadly parallel column can be rung in on him.

Our democratic friends who have been predicting that the treasurer's report would disclose alarming deficits in the sundry treasury funds, will be kind enough to correct their miscalcu-

Guousta crackers, fearful that the comet would touch up the earth, crowded to the confessional to prepare for the worst. Georgia ought to have nber, which would have no other re- a comet scare every time an election is Grand Ledge Independent.

> PROSECUTION Attorney Wolcott's appointment of Mr. Ward to be his assistant is believed to be a wise one. Mr. Ward is a young man of great energy tained \$2,000 in cash. The judge fell PROSECUTION Attorney Wolcott's apand fine legal abilities.

Curcago demands that all vice shall be suppressed in that city. Chicago without vice would be like "Hamlet" without the melancholy Dane.

SEVERAL students have been expelled from a Kentucky college because they painted a fellow student red. Red is the favorite Kentucky color.

Mr. Cirvelary neither went to church nor fishing yesterday. Probabir he took that drive to locate a good

Narrays tale nor tidings of the comet last night. It has evidently canceled its date in Grand Rapids.

regarded as highly improbable that atmosphere last evening. It wasn't conference will reach any agree- meteoric nor burealic, but the shifting.

lazily falling snowflakes were prettily lights. Thus the reputation of the astronomers was saved.

Aptar hasn't any time to go duck hunting. He's too busy sharpening

ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY. Stranger in Town-"Sis, why don't

a get your hair cut?" 'Cause, when I get a little older I'm going to be a Circassian beauty; father is the fan-lipped buzzard, and mother is the Sumatrian cork-chewer, and I've got a sister what can swaller terbacker an' tie her ear into a true lover's knot."-Life.

Motherly Consolation. - Mother (reading over a tatch of her son's rejected jokes —"I'm sure I can't see, John. when the editors print such stu-pid jokes, why they reject yours."— Life.

"Never mind, old boy. Every dog has his day."

"But I didn't have a day. She broke the engagement eighteen hours after it was made."-Detroit Tribune. Mother-"So you wish my daughter for your wife?" He (gallantly)-"Partly that, madam,

and partly that you may be my mother-in-law."—Detroit Free Press. Charley Seeaman-There is one fatal

objection to a one-act play. "What is it?" Charley Seeaman—You can't go out

between it .- Puck. Teacher-Johnny Jinks, did you throw that spitball? Johnny-No, ma'am. I ain't got mine chewed yet .- Street & Smith

Good News. Edna-"What do you suppose makes Tom write such awfully gushing let-ters" Kate—"Oh, I suppose he uses a fountain pen." Chicago Inter

Turner Van Newleaf-I'm going to turn over a new leaf.

Jack Binthayr-Better turn down the corner, so you won't lose your

"Why did your nurse leave?" "The baby came down with the mumps, and it seems the policeman had never had them."—Puck.

He-You look sweet enough to kiss in that gown.
She—I have several more just like it. -Cloak Review.

"B-because," he stammered, "I-I have t-thirteen brothers and sisters.' Y. Herald.

POINTS ABOUT PERSONS. At the Pilgrim Mothers' dinner to be December 23, the speakers will be Mrs.
Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Isabella
Beecher Hooker, Carrie Lane Chapman, Charlotte Emerson Brown, Mary
Seymour Howell and Lillie Deveraux

General Casius M. Clay, now 80 yearr old and one of the last survivors of the diplomats of his day, has presented his library, statuary and paintings to the county in which he lives (in Kentucky) as the nucleus of a public

Miss Mary Abell, daughter of the late A. S. Abell, founder of the Baltimore Sun, has taken the white veil at the chapel of the Academy of Visita-tion in Wilmington, Del. The name that she chose was Sister Mary Joseph. Rev. J. T. Bishop, a retired minister of the Methodist church, died on Mon-day at Springfield, Ohio, after making arrangement for his funeral, saying

with his last gasp that he didn't want trouble his relatives with such details. Bishop Foster of the Methodist church says he is one of only eleven in all the world who have preached the gospel for fifty-five years consecutively and without rest.

H. P. Albert of Philadelphia belongs to more secret societies than any other man in the United States, being en-rolled in seventy-eight of them.

Ross Turner, the well-known artist, will leave Salem, Mass., next month for Japan, where he expects to remain

Recent gifts to the building fund of the New York Press club are from W. C. Whitney, \$1,000, and J. G. Bennett,

Ex-President Barillas has been ordered by the courte of Guatemala to pay his barber's bill.

Mary Anderson is said to be an enthusiastic fisherwoman.

STATE PRESS GOSSIP

"Railroad Jack," a character wellcountry, passed through here Saturday evening in his old style, viz: In a ham-mock swung underneath a car. For the past twelve or fourteen years Jack has traveled all over the country in this manner. The hammock now used railways are unable to pay operating about Grover's vacation trip. If he it on to the car trucks and rides undisturbed by conductors. Jack's last visit to this city was about a year ago.—

Jim Corbett, the runaway sea lion, is taking an extensive pleasure trip around Lake Michigan. His last stop-ping place was at Kewaunes, where he was entertained by Charles Peterson, the lighthouse keeper at that point. He stopped only a short time and continued his journey north toward Adna--Grand Haven Tribune.

Messes. Pott and Tubbs returned last week from a two weeks trapping expedition on the Battle Creek. They had very fair luck, catching 300 muskrats, ten coon and ten mink, for which they seived \$55-Olivet Optic. And some

A beggar was arrested at Manistan off his chair .- Manton Tribune.

When you get mad and think of wolloping the editor for something he has put in the paper. just stop a moment and consider what he might have said if he had wanted to, and give him due credit for being very moderate.-Chicago Union.

It may be a triffle superstitious, but perhaps that comet was the fool killer, and when it got near enough to see that Cleveland was elected he changed his plan and started for the man in the moon.-Cheboygan Demograt.

The two hotels are now running opall the trade there is going. It looks more like business than an attempt to make one buse answer for both. - Stan-

Our new brass band made its first public appearance as an organization on Tuesday evening and did remarkably well. It is going to make a band that Shelby will be proud of.—Shelby Sentinel.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

Dear ladies, you may see in this pic ture a cap te for a young woman.
This is made in beige-colored velvet,
the crown is of dull bronze spangles,
embroidered on crape. A double roll
of velvet is twisted around the edge.
The feathers in front are in the form
of antennae, and pine in the Egyptian
sivie are fastened here and there in the
velvet.

their own millinery not to attempt too much. Don't fancy, for instance, that you can accomplish the Prince of Wales feathers now seen on hats, by fastening two feathers back to back and sticking them upright on your bonnet. They



von't look a bit like it. Cause why! The Prince of Wales feather is a very different cut from the old-fashioned feather. Fashion is invented to sell new things, not to use old ones. It is only the very smart woman who can get the best of fashion by adjusting her old things to the new requirements, and tee Prince of Wales feather is one and tee Prince of Wales feather is one of the things she has to give up on. This feather is very thick. It is stiff to the very tip, and then the tip hangs loose. It is not wired into a curve, you know. It hangs by itself in a curve, the which your old feather won't. Also, the feather is very narrow at the base and widens at the tip, and it is almost straight across at the tip. This just reverses the old cut of feathers. They used to be wide at the stem and narrow to a pretty point. You see now why your old feathers won't look right when you try to pretend Prince of Wales with them. You will have to buy them ready made.

CONCERNING WEDDINGS. In a comprehensive article on wed-

In a comprehensive article on wedding etiquette in Harper's Bazar occur the following useful items:

No one hour is more fashionable than another for a wedding. Many large weddings are arranged for the evening this fall.

If a wedding entertainment is to be given, it usually immediately follows the marriage ceremony, which may take place either at church or at home, quite privately or in the presence of numerous friends, who are also invited to the entertainment. Invitations may to the entertainment. Invitations may be sent to either marriage or entertain-ment separately. Invitations to a church ceremony may be sent to many friends, while a limited number are asked to the ensuing entertainment at home.

Again, the marriage ceremony may be performed in the presence of only a few friends, in church or at home,

The announcement of a marriage needs no reply. Neither does an invitation to a church ceremony. Your presence at a wedding reception is a reply. If you do not attend, your card should be sent at the appointed time. In case of repeated receptions a card sent to the last one is sufficient. Wedding gifts may be sent at any time after the cards are received, b

\$1,000.

Bjornstjerne Bjornson, the Norwegian novelist, will visit England in December for the first time.

Postmaster General Wanamaker says he is not going to open a big retail store in Washington.

Ex-President Besilfer the cards are received, but are not shown except to intimate friends, and privately. Each gift should be acknowledged by note, or personal thanks of the bride.

In the case of a church full dress wedding the bride is attended by a maid of honor and bridesmaids, and the groom by a "best man." The usbar. usually four in number—are at the church early to receive and conduct guests to seats. The guests may be in walking or visiting costume, or per-haps in the full dress in which they afterward assist at the reception.

The front seats are reserved for the family and near friends—those of the bride upon one side and those of the groom upon the other. The ushers in-quire of each guest upon which aide he wishes to be seated. These scats are divided from the rest of the church by a white satin ribbon, which is taken down and put up after each arrival with commerdable assiduity. FIVE WOMEN

Mrs. Diaz, the wife of the president, is arranging a collection of the literary works of Mexican women for exhi-The other day fifty jars of fruit fell and were destroyed in the cellar of a house at Yardley, Pa., and fifty neighbors each brought the woman a can of fruit to make up her loss.

The most successful golf player in Scotland is Miss K. Bruce Johnstone of Edinburgh, who has just carried off the jubilee plate in the annual tournament among the members of St. Andrew's Ladies' Golf club.

Mrs. Amelia B. Edwards, the late Egyptologist, had a happy knack in versification, and the Woman's Home Journal, Boston, gives some verses sent by her with a scarab to a friend. The scarab bore the three mystic characters which stand for the familiar greeting-happiness, beauty and good-

Mrs. Ann Skally of Fort McKinny, Wyo., heat the local postmaster two to one for justice of the peace at the late election. Another woman, Mrs. Esther Morrie, has acted as justice of the peace for South Pass. Wyo., for several years, and sent her husband up for ten days for contempt of court.

ORIGIN OF THE LOVING CUP. Every prosperous woman's club has its loving cup, but how many of the guests who see it gracing the banquet know its origin or the graceful cere-monial which should be observed in monial which should be observed in drinking from it. The cup should have two or three handles and a cover, the person nearest, who also stands, and both bow.

The bigger the secondary the bigger the bigger

Then, while the second guest removes the lid, the first one drinks, and with another bow passes the cup to his neighbor, who replaces the lid and presents it in turn to the next guest, and so the ceremony is repeated.

In the old cays of chivalry and of liberty in the biggest man in tom country.

The vice-president is only something to fall back on in case ov anident.—

reachery, as a man while drinking from the cup was practically defense-less, his companion was required to re-move the cover with his sword hand that he might not take advantage of the other. It is a very pretty cere-mony when gracefully performed.

WOMAN'S SUPERIORITY Some humorous philosopher has for-mulated an array of facts which seem

to establish woman's superiority to man. For example:

She can come to a conclusion without the slightest trouble of reasoning on it, and no same man can do that.

Six women can talk at once and get along first-rate, and no two men can

She can safely stick fifty pine in her dress while he is sticking one under his thumb nail.

cream to the woman she hates, while two men would be punching each oth-er's heads before they exchanged ten She can throw a stone with a curve

that would be a fortune to a base-ball

that it means "yes."

She can sharpen a lead pencil if you give her plenty of time and plenty of She can dance all night in a pair of shoes two sizes too small for her and enjoy every minute of the time.

The girl who can suspend her watch from a big gold beetle with diamond eyes and two olivines set in his back will probably be supremely happy because it is the very latest thing in watch-fobs and a novelty besides, two things that every well regulated girl sighs for, hints for and finally gets in the toe of her silken hose on Christmas the toe of her silken hose on Christmas morning. A diamond pendant always makes an acceptable gift for those who can afford it, and nothing could be handsomer than the new ones. One of the loveliest is an open wreath of tiny flowers, the diamonds set in platinum. When worn on a snowy throat the effect is dazzling.

Among the general rules to be observed by those who aspire to stylish elegance of appearance, the first and most important is that all efforts must tend to widening the shoulders by means of large, full sleeves, and lace drapings over the shoulders and across equally strenuous efforts must be brought to bear to do away with all protuberances about the hips by means of most carefully fitted princess gowns worn over equally well-shaped corsets and under-garments.

CORRECT TEA AND COFFEE, A gentleman has just returned from ne east, and while there found out the only "correct" way to make good tea and coffee. The "chef" of the Palace hotel said: "Put your tea and coffee in their respective pots and fill with cold water and set off the range as soon cold water and set off the range as soon as boiling, and you will enjoy the privilege of drinking tea and coffee as they should be made. Your coffee will be golden and your tea will taste like nothing you ever drank before."

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES. "Blue and Gray" is the title of the ensuing entertainment at home.

This church invitation reads, "Request the honor of your presence," or "Request your presence," the name of the church being printed immediately bethe flag of the Union. The magazine will certainly prove a boon to the younger generation, making all forget the color of the uniform in appreciatand the invitation may simply "request the pleasure of your company at the wedding reception of their daughter."
the hours "4 to 6" or "8 to 10" being added.

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James Whitcomb Riley, in addition to being the best dialect poet we have, is one of the best story-tellers in the world. He has given away the secret of his success both as a poet and as a story-teller in an article in the December Forum on "Dialect in Literature," in which he tells the difference (which is a radical and important "'fference) between a man who knows the people that speak dialect and the man who tries to thrust a dialect on people whose speech and character he does whose speech and character he does not know, for dialect is deeper than mere speech; it is a report of char-

The Christmas number of Scribner' Magazine is made notable by the great richness and variety of its illustration, richness and variety of its illustration, including a novelty in magazine pictures—a colored frontispiece—reproducing in fac-simile the rich effect of a water-color painting, made for this magazine by L. Marchetti. The literary quality of the number is indicated by the distinguished list of contributors, including such names as Thomas Bailey Aldrich, Archibald Forbes, George W. Cable, Frank D. Miller, H. H. Boyesen, Octave Thanet, George A. Hibbard, Will H. Low and Kenyon Cox.

Mr. Stoddard says: "If the lovers of fiction pure and simple are as weary as we are of the multitudinous manufactures of English and American novelists, they will occasionrily read the translations of stories of foreign origin issued in the 'Sunshine Series' of the Cassell Publishing company, the last three of which exhibit the best characteristics of the modern school of fiction. They are 'The Child of the Ball,' by Pedro Antonio de Alarcon, and 'A by Pedro Antonio de Alarcon, and 'A Christian Woman' and 'The Swan of

Villamorta,' by Emelia Pardo Bazan. Neither time, thought nor expense will be spared to establish Worthington's Illustrated Magazine as an ideal home magazine, whose coming January 1, 1893, shall be looked forward to with eager interest by all. It hopes to make itself indispensable in every family and to be received by the read-ing public from its first appearance with cordial and appreciative friendli

While Mr. Howelle will not, during 1892, continue his literary work to any single periodical, it may be authoritatively announced that he has entered into a contract with the Ladies' Home Journal whereby his most important work will, for some time to come, first see print in the pages of

JEDGE WAXEM'S PROVERBS. You can't always tell a statesman by the length of his speech.

A man be an offensly partyzan an still bet agin his party.

Wimmen air too luvly to vote A boughten vote is likely to spile.

The bigger the skoundrel the bigger the price for his influents.

Christianity aint recognized at the

NEWS OF THE HOTELS.

"Your American feast, Thankegiving day, you call it, is a jolly good idea.

Personally I'm thankful that I'm alive," and Dr. D. R. Freeman gased into the grate fire in his room at the Warwick last evening. His bearing certainly carried force with his words. He

What's the story, doctor" For a moment the man questioned looked at the crackling blaze, then, calmly drawing up a big arm chair, proceeded to place himself immediately in the rear of a large and fragrant Perfecto before answering: "Taken off a burning ship in mid-

A bombshell tossed into the room could have created no more amaze-

ment.

"You see." said Dr. Freeman, plainly enjoying the astonishment of his listener, "last year I was surgeon on the Alaska of the Guion line. She was laid off for a couple of trips for repairs, and the Abyssinia, one of our boats, took her piace, the officers and crew of the Alaska manning her. The outward bound trip was made all right and on time, though the Abyssinia was no greyhound.

no greyhound.
"We left New York on December 13, with a cargo mostly cotton and 147 souls on board. We had fair winds and sea behind us until we were five

"December 18 was a rather memorable day for the purser, Albert Brandt and myself, it being the anniversary of Brandt's marriage and also of the day I took my degree. We had made arrangements to have a little celebration in my cabin. Brandt had some wedding cake and I had a bottle of 'cham' shook me.

shook me.

"'Freeman, get up! the ship's on fire,' he said. "The devil it is,' said I.
'You can't get me out on that, Brandt. 'You can't get me out on that, Brandt. I'm going to sleep.' And I rolled over and went to sleep again, thinking how Brandt fell down. I'd just gotten picely under way when Brandt awakened me with the same tale.

"'See here, Brandt,' said I, 'stop this foolishness. The ship can burn and be hanged. I'm bent on sleeping.'

"Burn then," replied Brandt, and he slammed the cabin door after him.

Dr. Freeman paused long enough to Dr. Freeman paused long enough to produce two perfectos, one of which he was soon enjoying. "I tried to sleep again," continued the doctor, "but for the life of me I could not forget Brandt's 'burn then.' That it was a sell I did not doubt. As my chum was out of sight I thought I'd look about the cabin a bit. When I stepped out of my room I saw the men laying the hose. "Hello!" says I. "What's up?"

"Ship's afire, air."
"I had no idea that it was bad.
Thought it was a little blaze that would soon be put out. So I sauntered up on passengers. And once there I put my hand to my cap and looked about the sea. On turning I saw a little smoke coming up the ventilators. The old man was on the bridge and I went up

to him.
"Doctor, you and Mr. Brandt go below and amuse the passengers. Keep them quiet, you know."

il, air, for balf an hour Brandt and I made blooming asses of ourselves below, and then I went on deck to see how things were getting on. Smoke

was pouring out of the hatches, through the deck and out of the ventilators. About fifteen miles away was the smoke of a steamer When I saw that

smoke of a steamer When I saw that smoke I felt easier.

"The old man, Capt. George S. Murray, there's no better sailor on the seas, called me and ordered me to get the stewards and clear away the boats. Our agnal of distress was already hying. I never worked harder in my life. The stiff breeze was nearly half a gale, and to make matters worse, it began to snow. Lord, it was could The poor devils at the pumps were nearly frozen. The smoke dreve the passengers up on deck, and few had time to get a wrap. So they suffered from lack of heat, though there was a seething hell in the heart of the ship.

"Suddenly the engines stopped and we were rolling in the trough of the sea. We got the women and children into the boats and started to lower away. Just then a big, black-bearded German started to drop into one of the boats. I caught him by the neck and trousers and hauled him back on deck. The biasted coward tried the same dodge again, but I caught him on the point of the chin and he dropped to the deck like an ox.

"By this time the steamer was near

"By this time the steamer was near enough for us to see that she was the Spree, Captain Willegorod, of the north German Lloyd. We signaled her and she sent two boats in charge of Second Officer Pollok, who has any amount of

Officer Pollok, who has any amount of medals for saving lives at sea.

"The old man, the chief officer, the barkeeper and myself had to wait for the Spree's boat to come back for ma. It was ticklish business, for we expected an explosion every moment.

"The people of the Spree did everything possible for our comfort. Among her passengers were Mrs. E. R. E. Carpenter, Mrs. W. S. Hull and Miss Jane Freeman of Grand Rapids. It was through them I decided to locate here. So you see I can join you on giving thanks, for I'm thankful I'm slive."

Just as a Michigan bear was about to hug a man to death a woman, who had never before fired a gun, appeared on the scene and shot the animal dead infringe on woman's rights it is just simply good-bye bear.—Indianapolis Journal.

There is a boomerang quality in the poetic justice which has decreed that the World's fair shall be held, after all, in a democratic city, in a democratic state and under a democratic national administration.—New York World.

Perhaps the railroads don't want to carry people to the World's fair next year. One might at least infer as much from their refusal to make concessions

Electing Mrs. Lease as pational sens tress from Kansas might be a means of doing away with secret sessions without too much violence to tradition or re-ceived usages.—Philadelphia Times.

"You should have heard me sing "Let Me Dream" last evening," said the young woman who vocalizes. "I did," replied the young man whose room is just over the parlor piano, "and it expressed my sentiments exactly."—Washington Star. The Reverse of Romance-Publisher

-"Is your novel realistic" Authormarried in the first chapter and are un-happy ever afterward."—New York World.

"Are you superstitious" he saked.
"I? Not a bit," laughed the dear
irl. Why?"



To-DAY the Postal Employe's fair, to last one week to raise a fund to pension sick, old or permanently disabled employe's of the N. Y. Post Office, will open in Madison Square Garden in

that City. A. B. DeFrece who conducted the Actors Fund Fair that netted \$175,000, will manage the enterprise. Postmaster-General Wannamaker will open the fair in person

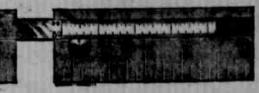
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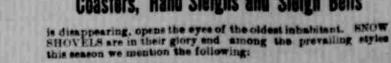
Bracket's Circular Ruler.

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